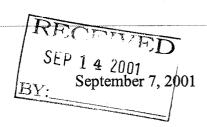


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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30 day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on the Time Release Balanced B-50 supplement under the Major brand name.

- Contributes to the health of the nervous system.
- These tablets provide an excellent source of B-Complex vitamins to help safeguard a sufficient daily intake.
- The B-Complex is essential for the maintenance of healthy nervous tissue.
- The B vitamins plays a role in energy metabolism in the body.
- Choline and Inositol are essential components of cell membranes and play important roles in cell growth and function.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

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